

*BOUTELOUA RIGIDISETA* (POACEAE)  
NEW TO LOUISIANA

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A recent grass collection from Fort Polk, in west central Louisiana, is apparently the first record for *Bouteloua rigidiseta* (Steud.) Hitchc. for the state. It is not in Allen (1993) nor Thomas and Allen (1993). In Gould (1975), the distribution is Texas, Oklahoma, and Mexico, while Smith (1994) includes this species in the Arkansas flora. The other two species of *Bouteloua* in Louisiana are rare, with *B. hirsuta* Lag. recorded only from Calcasieu Parish, and *B. curtipendula* (Michx.) Torr. from Caldwell, East Baton Rouge, Natchitoches, and Rapides parishes. The Caldwell and East Baton Rouge collections are recent, but the other three are more than 50 years old.

Voucher specimens: LOUISIANA. Vernon Parish: roadside at corner of Entrance Road and Avenue A, ca 1 mi E of La 184 on North Fort section of Fort Polk, ca 5 mi ESE of Leesville, Section 34 T2N R8W, 27 May 1999, Reid, Allen, and Doffitt 423 (NLU); same locality, 25 Sep 1999, Allen 18400 (NLU).

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